



PTRL5019

Fundamentals of Reservoir Engineering A

Term One // 2021

Course Overview

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Course Details

Credit Points 6

Summary of the Course

Fundamentals of Reservoir Engineering. Reservoir Description. Hydrostatic pressure and geothermal gradients. Porosity-permeability relationships and rock microstructures. Volumetric and initial hydrocarbon volume. Fluid Statics. Fluid flows, laminar and turbulent flows. Boundary layers. Flow in pipes, friction in pipe, Euler and Bernoulli's equation. Angular momentum equation. Steady flow energy equation. Minor losses. Flow over surfaces. Steady state inclined flow and pressure potential. Steady-state radial flow. Flow in series and in parallel. Vertical well model and skin effect.

Course Aims

The aim of this course is to give student an insight in to petroleum reservoirs; to introduce student to important rock and fluid characteristics; and to assist student to answer key questions to reservoir engineers. The course also aims to develop fundamental research skills for postgraduate coursework students in Petroleum Engineering.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Apply fundamental theories and concepts to solve many reservoir engineering problems, e.g. initial hydrocarbon in place, basic rock and fluid properties, hydrostatic pressure distribution, water influx and single phase fluid flow.
2. Critically analyse the underlying theories, concepts, assumptions and arguments concerning fluid flow under different reservoir conditions.
3. Develop research and communication skills and strategies that would support the Research Project component of the program.

Teaching Strategies

The teaching approach to be employed will involve lectures and tutorials. Lecture presentations cover theoretical and practical aspects, which are also described in the supporting academic texts and teaching resources. A series of in-class exercises will be employed to reinforce and build upon the concepts introduced during the lectures. You are encouraged to ask questions and express feedback during classes. You are expected to read prescribed materials in advance of classes to enable active participation.

Assessment

Assessment Tasks

Assessment task	Weight	Due Date	Student Learning Outcomes Assessed
Final Exam	50%	During the exam period	1, 2
Research Project	20%	11/04/2021 11:00 PM	1, 2, 3
Mid Term Quiz 1	4%	Not Applicable	1, 2
Mid Term Quiz 2	8%	Not Applicable	1, 2
Mid Term Quiz 3	8%	Not Applicable	1, 2
Assignments	10%	Not Applicable	1, 2

Assessment Details

Assessment 1: Final Exam

Start date: Not Applicable

Details:

Final exam during exam period

Assessment 2: Research Project

Start date: Not Applicable

Details:

A research project on several topics suggested to students followed by oral presentation. The slides need to be emailed to peyman@unsw.edu.au by the due date.

Assessment 3: Mid Term Quiz 1

Start date: 03/03/2021 12:00 PM

Details:

Mid term quiz 1

Assessment 4: Mid Term Quiz 2

Start date: 17/03/2022 12:00 PM

Details:

Mid term quiz 2

Assessment 5: Mid Term Quiz 3

Start date: 07/04/2021 12:00 PM

Details:

Mid Term Quiz 3

Assessment 6: Assignments

Start date: Not Applicable

Details:Assignments

Resources

Prescribed Resources

Support material for this course including, whenever available, copies of lecture notes, recommended readings, etc. can be found on Moodle.

The lecture note may be viewed and downloaded from the UNSW-Moodle <http://moodle.telt.unsw.edu.au/>.

Recommended Resources

Followings are the recommended books for this course.

- *Fundamentals of Reservoir Engineering*, Dake (1978).
- *The Practice of Reservoir Engineering*, Dake (1994).
- *Applied Petroleum Reservoir Engineering*, Craft and Hawkins (rev. Terry) (1991).

The University and the Faculty provide a wide range of support services for students, including:

- UNSW Learning Centre (<http://www.lc.unsw.edu.au>)
- Counselling support - <http://www.counselling.unsw.edu.au>
- Library training and support services - <http://www.library.unsw.edu.au/>
- OnePetro – (<http://www.onepetro.org>)

Course Evaluation and Development

At the end of each course, all students will have the opportunity to complete a course evaluation form. These anonymous surveys help us understand your views of the course, your lecturers and the course materials. We are continuously improving our courses based on student feedback, and your perspective is valuable.

Feedback is given via <https://student.unsw.edu.au/myexperience> and you will be notified when this is available for you to complete.

We also encourage all students to share any feedback they have any time during the course – if you have a concern, please contact us immediately.

Submission of Assessment Tasks

The School has developed a guideline to help you when submitting a course assignment.

We encourage you to retain a copy of every assignment submitted for assessment for your own record either in hardcopy or electronic form.

All assessments must have an assessment cover sheet attached.

Course completion

Course completion requires submission of all assessment items. Failure to submit all assessment items may result in the award of an Unsatisfactory Failure (UF) grade for the Course unless special consideration has been submitted and approved. Please note, a competency hurdle of 50% is applied to the final assessment.

Late Submission of an Assignment

Full marks for an assignment are only possible when an assignment is received by the due date.

We understand that at times you may not be able to submit an assignment on time, and the School will accommodate any fair and reasonable extension. We would recommend you review the UNSW Special Consideration guidelines – see section below.

Late submission will not be accepted and will be considered as no submission.

Special Consideration

You can apply for special consideration through [The Nucleus Student Hub](#) when illness or other circumstances interfere with your assessment performance. Sickness, misadventure or other circumstances beyond your control may:

- Prevent you from completing a course requirement
- Keep you from attending an assessable activity
- Stop you submitting assessable work for a course
- Significantly affect your performance in assessable work, be it a formal end-of-semester examination, a class test, a laboratory test, a seminar presentation or any other form of assessment

We ask that you please contact the Course Convenor immediately once you have completed the special consideration application, no later than one week from submission.

More details on special consideration can be found at: www.student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration

Student Support

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- UNSW Learning Centre - www.lc.unsw.edu.au
- Counselling support - www.counselling.unsw.edu.au

Equitable Learning Services aims to provide all students with a free and confidential service that provides practical support to ensure that your health condition doesn't adversely affect your studies.
<https://student.unsw.edu.au/els>

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Your lecturer and the University will expect your submitted assignments are truly your own work. UNSW has very clear guidelines on what plagiarism is and how to avoid it. Plagiarism is using the words or ideas of others and presenting them as your own. Plagiarism is a type of intellectual theft. It can take many forms, from deliberate cheating to accidentally copying from a source without acknowledgement. The University has adopted an educative approach to plagiarism and has developed a range of resources to support students. All the details on plagiarism, including some useful resources, can be found at www.student.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism.

All Mining Engineering students are required to complete a student declaration for academic integrity which is outlined in the assignment cover sheets. By signing this declaration, you agree that your work is your own original work.

If you need some additional support with your writing skills, please contact the Learning Centre or view some of the resources on their website: www.lc.unsw.edu.au. The Learning Centre is designed to help you improve your academic writing and communication skills. Some students use the Centre services because they are finding their assignments a challenge, others because they want to improve an already successful academic performance.

Academic Information

Course Results

For details on UNSW assessment policy, please visit: www.student.unsw.edu.au/assessment

In some instances your final course result may be withheld and not released on the UNSW planned date. This is indicated by a course grade result of either:

- LE – indicates you have not completed one or more items of assessment; or
- WD – indicates there is an issue with one or more assignment; or
- WC – which indicates you have applied for Special Consideration due to illness or misadventure and the course results have not been finalised.

In either event it would be your responsibility to contact the Course Convener as soon as practicable but no later than five (5) days after release of the course result. If you don't contact the convener on time, you may be required to re-submit an assignment or re-sit the final exam and may result in you failing the course. You would also have a NC (course not completed) mark on your transcript and would need to re-enroll in the course.

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Report writing guide

The School has a [Report Writing Guide \(RWG\)](#) available. A copy of this is available on the course Moodle site.

Computing Resources and Internet Access Requirements

UNSW Minerals and Energy Resources Engineering provides blended learning using the on-line Moodle LMS (Learning Management System). Also see - Transitioning to Online Learning: www.covid19studyonline.unsw.edu.au

It is essential that you have access to a PC or notebook computer. Mobile devices such as smart phones and tablets may compliment learning, but access to a PC or notebook computer is also required. Note that some specialist engineering software is not available for Mac computers.

- Mining Engineering Students: OMB G48
- Petroleum Engineering Students: TETB LG34 & LG 35

It is recommended that you have regular internet access to participate in forum discussion and group work. To run Moodle most effectively, you should have:

- broadband connection (256 kbit/sec or faster)
- ability to view streaming video (high or low definition UNSW TV options)

More information about system requirements is available at www.student.unsw.edu.au/moodle-system-requirements

Accessing Course Materials Through Moodle

Course outlines, support materials are uploaded to Moodle, the university standard Learning Management System (**LMS**). In addition, on-line assignment submissions are made using the assignment dropbox facility provided in Moodle. All enrolled students are automatically included in Moodle for each course. To access these documents and other course resources, please visit: www.moodle.telt.unsw.edu.au

How We Contact You

At times, the School or your course convenors may need to contact you about your course or your enrolment. Your course convenors will use the email function within Moodle or we will contact you on your @student.unsw.edu.au email address.

We understand that you may have an existing email account and would prefer for your UNSW emails to be redirected to your preferred account. Please see instructions on how to redirect your UNSW emails: "[How can I forward my emails to another account?](#)"

How You Can Contact Us

We are always ready to assist you with your inquiries. To ensure your question is directed to the correct person, please use the email address below for:

- Enrolment or other admin questions regarding your program: <https://unswinsight.microsoftcrmportals.com/web-forms/>
- Course inquiries should be directed to the Course Convenor

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